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AMENDMENT

SIR:

This is a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified patent application. This Request For Continued Examination is being filed instead of filing an Appeal Brief. Therefore, the Notice of Appeal is withdrawn. A petition for an extension of time in which to file an Appeal Brief accompanies this Request For Continued Examination (RCE) and amendment.

Reconsideration of the above-identified patent application, as amended, is respectfully requested. The present amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed October 21, 2002.

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